

MPYE-014 Philosophy of Mind

Note:

- i) Give answer of all five questions.
- ii) All five questions carry equal marks.
- iii) The answer of questions no. 1 and 2 should be in about 500 words.

1. Critically evaluate the view that Language is a contingent system of symbols which accidentally develops in the human community. 20

Or

Explain Descartes' mind-body dualism. Do you think Descartes successfully resolved mind-body problem? Give reasons to support your answer.

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2. a) Do you agree that animal has consciousness? Give reasons to support your answer.

b) What are the Ethical implications of denying mind to the animals? 10+10= 20

Or

What is ling in Samkhya school? How does the concept of ling (union of *purusa* and *prakriti*) address Mind-Body Problem? Do you think that Samkhya school successfully resolved mind-body problem.

Explain,

10+10= 20

a) Strong and Weak AI 20

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| 3. Answer any two questions in about 250 words each. | 2*10= 20 |
| a) Write an essay on the Wittgenstein's account of understanding. | 10 |
| b) What are the presuppositions of <i>Sphotavada</i> ? Discuss. | 10 |
| c) "Mind and Language are inter-connected." Explain and evaluate. | 10 |
| d) What is <i>apohavada</i> ? How does <i>Apohavada</i> reject realist understanding of the relation between language and world? | 10 |
| 4. Answer any four questions in about 150 words each. | 4*5= 20 |
| a) Write a note on the John Locke's idea of complex ideas. | 5 |
| b) Discuss the idea of Intentionality. | 5 |
| c) What is Machine Functionalism? Explain briefly. | 5 |
| d) What is Substance Dualism? Explain briefly. | 5 |
| e) Critically analyze the idea of emotional mind. | 5 |
| f) "Understanding is a process". Elucidate. | 5 |
| g) Critically evaluate Kant's understanding of perception. | 5 |
| 5. Write short notes on any five in about 100 words each. | 5*4= 20 |
| a) Volition as adaptive decision making | 4 |
| b) Innate structure of language | 4 |
| c) Innate idea | 4 |
| d) Phenomenology | 4 |
| e) Epiphenomenalism | 4 |
| f) Property dualism | 4 |
| g) Brain | 4 |
| h) Physicalism | 4 |